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Colds

"I had a terrible cold and could hardly breathe. I then tried Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and it gave me immediate relief."
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How will your cough be tonight? Worse, probably. For it's first a cold, then a cough, then bronchitis or pneumonia, and at last consumption. Coughs always tend downward. Stop this downward tendency by taking Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

Three sizes: 25c, 50c, \$1. All druggists. Consult your doctor. If he says take it, then do as he says. If he tells you not to take it, then don't take it. He knows. Leave it with him. We are willing. J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

Censure and criticism can never hurt anybody. If false, they cannot hurt you unless you are wanting in manly character; if true, they show a man his weak points and forewarn him against failure and trouble.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent.

The administration senators have decided to vote solidly to ratify the Panama treaty and take the consequences. These are problematical, but those who have made a profound study of the hostile conditions at the Isthmus do not believe that a lock canal between the oceans can be built there in twenty-five years over the Culebra and in the face of the uncontrollable torrent of the Chagres. It is universally agreed that a sea level canal would be worth four times as much and take three times as long to finish. Engineers of high repute say that the earth offers no precedent for this lock canal; that no similar stupendous engineering work has ever been undertaken, and they decline to predict when or how it can be done, or what cost, or whether it can be done at all. "Panama! Panama! Build it in a year, hurrah!" may possibly elect Roosevelt, but it will leave the Republican party bankrupt before 1908 with a whole lot of broken promises on its hands. But Southern Democrats have been waiting a good while, and their impatience has drawn some of the weaker ones into the ranks of the ratifiers.

The Panama discussion in the Senate goes on languidly towards the finish. Carmack, Tenn., made one of his ringing, stinging speeches this week that caused Republicans to wriggle in their seats or to seek the restaurants or to find refuge in the cloak room. He said there were some outrages that even Mr. Roosevelt dare not perpetrate because he is a candidate for the presidency, that circumstances place a limit upon the lawlessness of the administration.

For the last three days the House has been debating the Senate amendment to lend \$4,600,000 to the St. Louis Fair Committee in addition to the \$5,000,000 already given out right. The proposition was advocated by Messrs Cochran, Cowherd, De Armond, Champ Clark and Vandiver, of Missouri, and Hemenway, Ind., chairman of appropriations, among the ablest men in Congress. In opposition were Messrs. Payne, Grosvenor, Dalzel and Gillett, Mass., who said they were tired of these raids upon the Treasury by men who would first obtain an appropriation by pledging themselves to ask no more, and then in a few months come back and hot up their plaiter again on the ground that they had

SAVED FROM TERRIBLE DEATH.

The family of Mrs. M. L. Bobbitt of Bargetown, Tenn., saw her dying and were powerless to save her. The most skillful physicians and every remedy used, failed, while consumption was slowly but surely taking her life. In this terrible hour Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption turned despair into joy. The first bottle brought immediate relief and its continued use completely cured her. It's the most certain cure in the world for all throat and lung troubles. Guaranteed bottles 50c. and \$1. Trial bottles free at M. B. Blackburn's.

been given something and therefore must have more. The lobby was crowded with excited visitors from the Mond City. On Thursday the measure passed—"triumphantly" a lobbyist remarked. It is so easy to be benevolent and "public spirited" with other peoples money.

"Hon. C. D. Walcott, Director of the United States Geological Survey" never tires of novelties. He has appointed Mr. Kunz to be a "Radium Commissioner" to the World Fair in St. Louis—salary \$1,000! Now fetch on the experts. Who is going to be Soilm Commissioner?—and X-ray Commissioner, and Triboite Commissioner, and Liquid Air Commissioner, and Congealed Sunshine Commissioner, and Weather Breeding Commissioner, and Aeroplane Commissioner? Hurrah for science with a big, big S! We cannot have too much Science, especially Science that hard-working people pay for and nobody understands.

Senator Hoar has a compilation from the government's records, showing that war and warfare have cost this nation one thousand million dollars in seven years—about \$2 per head, or \$10 a family each year. If our taxes were direct, instead of indirect, and the tax-gatherer went from door to door and solicited ten dollars at every home how long would the terrible waste go on?

The "World's Fair Industry" is galloping, hot-footed. The St. Louis outfit has got ten million dollars from the Federal treasury and Portland, Ore., Jamestown, Va., Wheeling, W. Va., and the Mayflower Pilgrims want as much more. It looks as if they would get it too. We are much given to acclamations of joy and multitudinous fireworks and the celebrants find Uncle Sam easy.

General John C. Black, commander of the G. A. R., and the new president of the civil service commission is rapidly convalescing at the Garfield Hospital. Your correspondent called on him yesterday, found him setting up in an easy chair and saluted him as the much talked of Democratic candidate for President. "O, no," he earnestly exclaimed, "General Sickle's mention of my name was only an amiable and lovely compliment rising from the veteran's warm heart. We are old political friends and army comrades, and he naturally enough said a friendly and pleasant thing. That's all there was of it." There is a rising tide of comment in the lobbies in favor of a peace army for the Democratic can-

WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E. C. DeWitt & Co., of Chicago, discovered some years ago how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, eczema, cuts, burns, bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's Salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeiters. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine. Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

didate. Governor O'Leary, of N. Y., is opposed to the good roads measure suggested for that state. He doesn't mind spending a hundred million dollars on the Erie canal, which is of very slight benefit to anybody, but when it comes to helping the farmers better their roads, he puts his foot down.

Brevities: Pension Commissioner Ware wants authority to retire three per cent of his clerks annually.

A good many old fellows sleep at their desks but don't wish to retire.

Mr. Roosevelt has 78,000 post offices as a political "barrel" to start his campaign with.

Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, says the people want the canal and don't care how they get it.

Car conductors here have been caught embezzling.

The Quartermaster General of the army has just found \$3,000,000 of old uniforms that were lost!

If the prosperity of the country is reflected in the increase of postal receipts \$12,000,000 over last year, is the loss of moral tone reflected in the increase of the postal frauds?

Lincoln's birthday was celebrated here by a few persons in a most feeble and perfunctory manner. He is now generally considered a back number.

A VEST-POCKET DOCTOR.

Never in the way, no trouble to carry, easy to take, pleasant and never failing in results are DeWitt's Little Early Risers. A vial of these little pills in the vest-pocket is a certain guarantee against headache, biliousness, torpid liver and all the ills resulting from constipation. They tone and strengthen the liver. For sale by M. B. Blackburn.

The Durham Herald observes:

If what is being said now had been said a few years ago, Mr. Hanna might, perhaps, have died a happy man.

This refers to the eulogies pronounced on Senator Hanna since his death. There is no doubt that Senator Hanna is a very much maligned and misrepresented man. He was, up to a very recent period, pictured as the embodiment of almost everything bad. Within the past few years the public came to know him and appreciate him as a good man, in many respects an exemplary man. But as is usual in such cases, since he is dead there has been much fulsome praise of him, much slopping over. The excess of praise has been almost as bad as the excess of abuse of him in years past. —Statesville Landmark.

JUST ONE MINUTE.

One Minute Cough Cure gives relief in one minute, because it kills the microbe which tickles the mucous membrane, causing the cough and at the same time clears the phlegm, draws the inflammation and heals and soothes the affected parts. One Minute Cough Cure strengthens the lungs, wards off pneumonia, and is harmless and never failing cure in all curable cases of coughs, colds and croup. One Minute Cough Cure is pleasant to take, harmless and good alike to young and old. Sold by M. B. Blackburn.

The Size of Russia's Army.

No one outside the Russian war office knows the actual number of troops the Czar has in Manchuria or within reach of it. The Russian army in point of number is the largest in the world. Nearly 900,000 young men reach their majority each year, and each is bound by law to spend five years in the army. If all were taken they would make an army too large even for Russia, so only 219,000 go to the colors with the army or the reserve. The lowest peace strength of the Russian military establishment, therefore, numbers more than 1,000,000 men with 42,000 of fliers. In war time practically all these young men join the colors, swelling the army to the stupendous figures of 4,500,000 men and 75,000 officers, for whom there are provided 560,000 horses. Men who are in a position to guess shrewdly say there are more than 300,000 Russian soldiers in Manchuria or near it now. The number that can be put in the field there is limited only by the will of the government. —Everybody's Magazine.

A VERY CLOSE CALL.

"I stuck to my engine, although every joint ached and every nerve was racked with pain," writes C. W. Bellamy a locomotive fireman of Burlington Iowa. "I was weak and pale without any appetite and all run down. As I was about to give up I got a bottle of Electric Bitters and after taking it I felt as well as I ever did in my life." Weak sickly run down people always gain new life strength and vigor from their use. Try them. Satisfaction guaranteed by M. B. Blackburn.

The total electoral vote of all the states under the new apportionment will be four hundred and seventy-six, an increase of twenty-nine over 1900. The votes necessary to a choice of President are two hundred and thirty-nine. The states that have gained are: Arkansas, one; California, one; Colorado and Connecticut, one; Florida, one; Illinois, three; Louisiana, one; Massachusetts, one; Minnesota, two; Mississippi, one; Missouri, one; New Jersey, two; New York, three; North Carolina, one; Pennsylvania, two; Texas, three; Washington, one; West Virginia, one; Wisconsin, one.—Ex.

WONDERFUL NERVE.

Is displayed by many a man enduring pains of accidental cuts, wounds, bruises, burns, scalds, sore feet or stiff joints. But there's no need for it. Bucklen's Arnica Salve will kill the pain and cure the trouble. It's the best salve on earth for piles too. 25c at M. B. Blackburn's.

The Philadelphia Record says that the threat is made that William J. Bryan would cut loose from the Democratic party and become the candidate of the Populists should Grover Cleveland be nominated at St. Louis.

DOMESTIC TROUBLES.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in stomach and Liver troubles. They not only relieve you but cure. 25c at M. B. Blackburn's.

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"I was troubled with stomach trouble. Thedford's Black Draught did me more good in one week than all the doctor's medicine I took in a year."—MRS. SARAH B. SHIRFIELD, Ellettsville, Ind.

Thedford's Black Draught quickly invigorates the action of the stomach and cures even chronic cases of indigestion. If you will take a small dose of Thedford's Black Draught occasionally you will keep your stomach and liver in perfect condition.

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More sickness is caused by constipation than by any other disease. Thedford's Black-Draught not only relieves constipation but cures diarrhoea and dysentery and keeps the bowels regular.

All druggists sell 25-cent packages.

"Thedford's Black-Draught is the best medicine to regulate the bowels I have ever used."—MRS. A. M. GRANT, Sneds Ferry, N. C.

CONSTIPATION

Hon. C. B. Watson has been at Hot Springs, Ark., for rheumatism, and The Winston Sentinel says he has arrived at home, looking well; that he has lost twenty-five pounds of flesh and has quit smoking. His home folks may get used to this in time, but to his other friends and acquaintances he will never look natural without a cigar in his mouth, cocked at an angle of forty-five degrees.—Charlotte Observer.

FARM FOR SALE.

Sixty or seventy acres of well-watered and well-laying lands, lying 7 miles from Boone on the Jefferson road. Fine orchard of apples, peaches and cherries; also double cribs, good stable and smoke house, the dwelling was burned. The farm is a bargain at the price—\$800—as it contains about 20 or 25 acres of fine bottom land. Parties interested will call on R. L. Moretz, as he lives near the place, or write to me at Shoun's X Roads, Tenn., and I will meet them there.

ALEXANDER CROWDER.

A woman always accept her pastor's advice with sweet grace when he happens to call when she is pressed in her best clothes.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers, they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood. If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work. Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or uneasy heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries. It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits by all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail. Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

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